

## Daily Digest

**U.S. Department of Transportation to Hold Emergency Responder Forum.** The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) will convene an Emergency Responder Forum on December 9, 2011 at the U.S. Department of Transportation headquarters, 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE, Washington, DC 20590 in the atrium of the west building (across the street from the Navy Yard Metro Station on the Green Line). The public forum will address several recent pipeline incidents that revealed firefighters and other emergency responders in some communities may not have the information they need to adequately prepare to respond to significant natural gas and hazardous liquid pipeline emergencies. The forum will initiate the development of an action plan for improving emergency responders' ability to prepare for and respond to pipeline emergencies. Nearly 150 leaders from the emergency response community, the government, and the pipeline industry are expected to attend the forum. In the coming weeks, more information on the forum will be available at <http://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/meetings/> and on the pipeline safety awareness website at <http://opsweb.phmsa.dot.gov/pipelineforum/index.html>.

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